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Abstract

3-D turbulent reacting CFD analyses were performed on transverse jets injected into annular and cylindrical (can) confined crossflows. The goal of this study was to identify and assess mixing differences between annular and can geometries. The approach was to optimize both annular and can configurations by systematically varying orifice spacing until lowest emissions were achieved, and then compare the results. Numerical test conditions consisted of a jet-to-mainstream mass-flow ratio of 3.2 and a jet-to-mainstream momentum-flux ratio (J) of 30.

The computational results showed that the optimized geometries had similar emission levels at the exit of the mixing section although the annular configuration did mix-out faster. For lowest emissions, the design correlation parameter $(C=(S/H)\sqrt{J})$ was 2.35 for the annular geometry and 3.5 for the can geometry. For the annular geometry, the constant was about twice the value seen for jet mixing at low mass-flow ratios (i.e. MR < 0.5). For the can geometry, the constant was about 1 1/2 times the value seen for low mass-flow ratios.

Nomenclature

Mixture Fraction

h Enthalpy

Turbulent Kinetic Energy of Mainstream k_{∞}

Mass Flow of Jets m_i

Mass Flow of Mainstream m_∞

Axial Coordinate, x=0 at leading edge of the orifice

x/H Axial Distance-to-Duct Height Ratio

Vertical Coordinate y

Z Lateral Coordinate

C (S/H) √J (see Eq. 1)

H Duct Height

Momentum-Flux Ratio $(\rho_i V_i^2)/(\rho_m U_m^2)$ J

Mass-Flow Ratio m_i/m_m MR

P Static Pressure (N/m²)

Static Pressure of Jet

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m jet} \ {
m P}_{\infty}$ Static Pressure of Mainstream

Orifice Spacing

Orifice Spacing-to-Duct Height Ratio S/H

Temperature (K) Т Texit Exit Temperature

 T_{jet} T_{∞} Temperature of Jet-

Temperature of Mainstream

 U_{∞} Mainstream Flow Velocity (m/s)

Jet Velocity (m/s)

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 ϵ_{∞} Turbulent Energy Dissipation of Mainstream

 ϕ_{rb} Rich-Burn Equivalence Ratio

φ_{lb} Lean-Burn Equivalence Ratio

 ρ_i Density of Jet

 ρ_{∞} Density of Mainstream

1. Introduction

In recent years, the concern over the environmental impact of aircraft gas turbine technology has steadily increased. The need for the reduction of both carbon monoxide (CO) and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) is quickly becoming a very sensitive issue. Past advancements to aircraft gas turbine engines have focused on increasing the overall thermodynamic cycle efficiency by implementing increases in pressure and temperatures. The increases tend to have an adverse effect on NO_x emission levels, necessitating the development of new ways of controlling NO_x.

In order to improve the emission signatures of combustors, the industry has departed from the standard single axial staged combustion to pursue staged burning. One such concept being evaluated both experimentally and numerically is the Rich-burn/Quick-mix/Lean-burn (RQL) combustor¹. This combustor utilizes the staged burning concept in which the primary zone is designed to operate fuel rich.² The combustion products high in carbon monoxide concentration enter the quick-mix section where mixing is initiated with bypass air. The combustion process is then completed in the lean-burn region.

To achieve the low emission goals set for RQL combustors, high importance must be placed on attaining rapid and uniform mixing in the quick-mix section. Recent experimental and numerical studies have been completed that investigated and assessed improved mixing concepts³⁻¹⁸.

2. Background

For quite some time the importance of research on jet mixing in a confined crossflow has been recognized as having a significant impact on a variety of practical applications. Within gas turbine technology, jet mixing plays a particularly important role in the dilution zone of the combustor. The dilution zone is the aft zone where the products of combustion are mixed with air to produce a temperature profile acceptable to the turbine. 19-21

As of late, many studies have been conducted relative to jet mixing in gas turbine applications²²⁻²⁷. These studies have concentrated on both rectangular and cylindrical geometric configurations. The results of these studies have identified two significant design parameters that influence the mixing pattern: 1) jet-to-mainstream momentum-flux ratio (J) and 2) orifice spacing-to-duct height ratio (S/H). Optimum mixing relationships were determined to be a function of the product of S/H and square root of J for the range of conditions tested and analyzed¹⁹:

$$C = (S/H)\sqrt{J}$$
 (1)

These studies summarized in Ref. 19 examined both two-sided and single-sided injection in rectangular geometries. Table 1 shows the constants derived from these studies. The optimum C value was shown to be 1.25 for inline, two-sided injection, while single-sided injection produced a C value of 2.5. It was determined that the best mixing occurred when the dilution jet reached a penetration level of 1/4 duct height for two-sided injection. Previous dilution jet work focused on conditions where the jet-to-mainstream mass-flow levels were less than 0.50. More recent numerical and experimental research has examined the effect of increased mass-flow ratios, more typical of RQL combustors (i.e. MR > 2.0). The results for MR > 2.0 have concluded that the C value is about twice (2.5 vs.

1.25) that of the lower mass-flow ratio cases for two-sided, rectangular configurations.

Presently, the design of the mixing section is pursuing The first employs a full annular two options. geometry, while the second consists of a can mixing section. The basic questions that needed to be addressed were: 1) is there an inherent difference between the way can and annular configurations mix, 2) does one of these produce higher NO, than the other, and 3) can one be optimized based on knowledge of the other? Although many factors (i.e. liner cooling considerations, structural requirements, etc.,) will play a role in the decision making process, the input of geometry on emission signature is an equally important factor. This study sought to address these issues by a systematic computational analysis. A complete description of the work follows.

3. CFD Code

The approach in this study was to perform 3-D numerical calculations on generic geometry sections. The CFD code named CFD-ACE²⁸ was used to perform the computations. The basic capabilities/methodologies in CFD-ACE include:

- (1) co-located, fully implicit and strongly conservative finite volume formulation;
- (2) solution of two- and three-dimensional Navier-Stokes equations for incompressible and compressible flows;
- (3) non-orthogonal curvilinear coordinates;
- (4) multi-block grid topology;
- (5) upwind, central (with damping), second order upwind and Osher-Chakravarthy differencing schemes:
- (6) standard²⁹, extended³⁰, RNG and low Reynolds number³¹ k-ε turbulence models;
- (7) instantaneous, one-step, two-step, and fourstep heat release and emission combustion models;

- (8) spray models including trajectory, vaporization, etc.; and
- (9) pressure-based solution algorithms including SIMPLE and a variant of SIMPLEC.

4. Details of Numerical Calculations

The analysis was divided up into two parametric studies. The first parametric study focused on the annular geometries, while the second concentrated on the can geometries. A schematic of the annular geometry is shown in Figure 1. The inner radius of the annulus measured 0.3896m with the outer radius measuring 0.4404m. The height of the mixing section was 0.0508m. The computation domain extended 0.152m from the leading edge of the orifice (x/H=3.0). The walls were modeled as being 0.0064m thick. Above each orifice a plenum 0.076m long was constructed. The annular model consisted of two-sided injection from the top and bottom orifices into the mainstream crossflow.

A constant shape orifice was selected for use in both of the parametric studies. The orifice was a slot with rounded ends and had a 2:1 length-to-width aspect ratio. The selection of the 2:1 rounded slot was made to ensure enough orifices would be able to fit on the ID of the annular configuration for an underpenetrated jet configuration. The 2:1 rounded slots were aligned with the long dimension in the direction of the mainstream flow.

The can configurations were made comparable to the annular configuration by making the can cross-sectional area equal to a one-nozzle sector of the annular geometry. Thus for a 24-nozzle annular combustor, the diameter for the equivalent-area can geometry was 0.084m. A schematic of the can geometry is presented in Figure 2.

To enhance the computational efficiency of the numerical calculations, only one set of orifices (top and bottom) was modeled. Similarly, only one orifice was modeled for the can geometry. For the annular geometry, the orifices were located on the inner and outer diameter in the same axial plane, and inline in the transverse direction. The transverse calculation domain extended from midplane to midplane between the jets' centerlines. Periodic boundary conditions were assumed on the transverse boundaries. For the can geometry, a single orifice was located on the outer liner with periodic boundary conditions being specified on the transverse boundaries.

Four parametric cases were analyzed for the annular geometry, while six cases were performed for the can geometry. For each case, the orifice spacing, S/H, was varied parametrically while maintaining all other design variables constant. Note that as the orifice spacing was varied, the size of the orifice was changed to maintain constant flow area. The intent of this method was to optimize each geometry based on the lowest emission signature. A full range of jet penetration levels was studied, including under, optimum, and over-penetrating cases.

Tables 2 and 3 show the geometry specifics for the can and annular cases, respectively. The six can cases are designated C1-C6. These cases correspond to 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 12 holes on the can liner. For the annular analysis, the cases are labeled as AN1-AN4. Test case AN1 corresponds to 3 orifices on the inner and outer diameter (6 orifices in a one-nozzle sector) and continues to 6 orifices on ID&OD (12 orifices in the nozzle sector). Since the areas of the annular 15 degree sector and the can are set equal, the orifices are identical when there are the same number of orifices in the can and annular configurations (e.g. AN1 & C2 have identical orifices).

To determine the jet-to-mainstream momentum-flux ratio (J), the jet velocity had to be calculated. The pressure drop across the orifice was determined by using the total pressure at the plenum inlet and the mass-

averaged static pressure across the orifice exit. It should be mentioned that the static pressure and radial velocity at the orifice exit were highly non-uniform in the axial direction. From this pressure drop, the velocity of the jet at the orifice exit was calculated, as well as the orifice discharge coefficient (C_d). The C_d for the orifice was calculated to be 0.685. Using the jet velocity based on the pressure drop, the momentum-flux ratio was calculated to be 30.

The turbulence boundary conditions, k & E, were determined in the following manner. For the mainstream (rich-burn) flow, the turbulence parameters were determined from unreported CFD calculations of the rich-burn section. For the jets, the turbulence levels were determined by the CFD analysis as the flow proceeded from the plenums into the orifices. The inlet turbulence into the plenum had no effect on the turbulence through the orifices; hence the inlet turbulence to the plenums were set at nominal values.

The flow conditions of the mainstream and jets were:

Mainstream Jets $U_{\infty} = 43.5 \text{ m/s}$ $P_{jet} = 9.72 \text{ x } 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$ $T_{\infty} = 2035 \text{ K}$ $T_{jet} = 777 \text{ K}$ $P_{\infty} = 9.72 \text{ x } 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$ $k_{\infty} = 118.0 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}^2$ $\epsilon_{\infty} = 5.4 \text{ x } 10^4 \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}^3$ J = 30 $m_j/m_{\infty} = 3.20$ $T_{exit} = 1755 \text{ K}$ $\phi_{rb} = 2.0$ $\phi_{lb} = 0.425$

Grids

The computational mesh was created using CFD-GEOM³², an interactive three-dimensional geometry modeling and mesh generation software. A typical

annular case consisted of approximately 63,000 cells. The breakdown of the cell distribution was as follows:

Top and Bottom Plenums 42x10x28 [x,y,z direction]
Mixing Region 77x20x28

The can grid was separated into:

Top Plenum 42x10x28 Mixing Region 77x20x28

The orifices were composed of 28 x 14 uniformly distributed cells. The orifice was modeled with 5 cells in the vertical direction to represent the wall thickness of 0.0064m. A typical annular grid is shown in Figure 3. The grid upstream and downstream of the orifice region was expanded/contracted so that each cell adjacent to the orifice region matched the cell size in the slot region. The cells in the vertical direction were compressed in the vicinity of the wall to more accurately capture any wall effects.

Numerics & Models

The following conservation equations were solved: u momentum, v momentum, w momentum, mass (pressure correction), turbulent kinetic energy (k), turbulent energy dissipation (ε), enthalpy (h), and The convective fluxes were mixture fraction (f). calculated using upwind differencing, and the diffusive fluxes were calculated using central differencing. The standard k-e turbulence model was employed and conventional wall functions were used. The walls were assumed to be adiabatic. The turbulent Schmidt and Prandtl numbers were set to 0.5. A fast chemistry (instantaneous) model was assumed. Equilibrium products were also assumed. The use of a fast chemistry model was based on LSENS³³ calculations using a 63-step, 33 species reaction model; the chemical reaction times were small compared to flow times at the conditions being studied.

Convergence

All error residuals were reduced at least 4 orders of magnitude, and continuity was conserved in each axial plane to the fifth decimal. A converged solution required approximately 8-12 CPU hours on a CRAY C-90 computer.

Rich-Burn Inlet Conditions

The inlet to the rich-burn section was assumed to be premixed fuel and air. The fuel used in this analysis was $C_{10}H_{19}$, representative of Jet A fuel. The inlet premixed equivalence ratio (ϕ_{rb}) was specified to 2.0. As the inlet flow entered the first cell of the computational domain, it burned immediately to equilibrium products. The resulting downstream flow was representative of rich-burn conditions entering the quench zone.

5. Data Postprocessing

Graphics postprocessing was performed using CFD-VIEW³⁴⁻³⁵, an interactive graphical visualization tool. The NO_x results were calculated using a post-processing tool named CFD-POST.³⁶ Using the equilibrium species calculated in the CFD-ACE solution, NO_x was calculated using an extended Zeldovich thermal NO_x model shown below in equation (2).^{37,38} The effect of turbulent fluctuations was included by using a prescribed, beta function pdf.

$$\frac{d(NO)}{dt} = 2k_1(O)(N_2) \frac{1 - \frac{(NO)^2}{K(O_2)(N_2)}}{1 + \frac{k_1(NO)}{[k_2(O_2) + k_3(OH)]}}$$
(2)

where, $K=(k_1/k_{-1})(k_2/k_{-2})$ is the equilibrium constant for the reaction between N_2 and O_2 .

6. Results and Discussion

The results for the parametric cases are presented using three variables; equivalence ratio, temperature, and NO_x production.

Annular Geometry

The effect of orifice spacing on jet penetration is presented in Figures 4 and 5. Plotted in Figure 4 are the temperature contours in a lateral plane through the orifice centerline. Similarly, the equivalence ratios are shown in Figure 5. The 6ID/6OD configuration (case AN4 in Table 3) is clearly underpenetrated, represented by a core of mainstream fluid passing through the center of the duct. In contrast, the 3ID/3OD case (AN1 in Table 3) exhibits overpenetration of the jet; the mainstream flow is deflected to the outer wall. This is seen by the higher temperature along the OD and ID wall for the 3ID/3OD (AN1) case. The 4ID/4OD (AN2 in Table 3) and 5ID/5OD (AN3 in Table 3) configurations exhibit near-optimum characteristics. The jet penetrates to approximately 1/4 duct height for these cases. From the equivalence ratio contours shown in Figure 5, the 5ID/5OD (AN3) appears to show the most uniform downstream mixing characteristics at the exit.

Shown in Figure 6 are axial planes at x/H=1.0 for temperature and equivalence ratios. The high temperatures along the wall in the 3ID/3OD (AN1) case indicate the over-penetrating jets, while the 6ID/6OD (AN4) case shows the hot mainstream flow in the duct center typical of under-penetrating jets. Note that the OD near-wall temperature is hotter than the ID near-wall temperature for each case. This occurs because the orifice spacing is greater for the OD liner, resulting in more mainstream (rich-burn) flow passing between the jets.

Figure 7 shows the NO_x production for the annular parametric cases. NO_x is mainly produced in regions where there is near-stoichiometric temperature and

oxygen available. The high NO_x production along the OD wall in the 3ID/3OD (AN1) case results from excessive mainstream flow passing between the jets and then mixing with the jet airflow. When the jets underpenetrate, as in the 6ID/6OD (AN4) case, excessive NO_x is produced along the center of the duct. The lowest amount of NO_x production occurs when the jets have optimum penetration, i.e., 4ID/4OD (AN2) case and the 5ID/5OD (AN3) case.

Can Geometry

Figures 8 and 9 show the corresponding temperature and equivalence ratio contour plots for the can parametric. Note, only a single jet is shown for the can configurations; the bottom of the plot represents the can centerline. As seen in the previous annular results, an increase in the number of orifices translates into a corresponding decrease in jet penetration levels. It can be seen in Figures 8 and 9 that the jets are overpenetrated for the 5 orifice case (C1 in Table 2), underpenetrated for the 8 orifice case (C4 in Table 2), and near optimally penetrated for the 6 (C2 in Table 2) and 7 (C3 in Table 2) orifice cases.

Figure 10 shows the axial planes at x/R=1.0 for temperature and equivalence ratios. It can be seen that stoichiometric burning occurs near the liner for the 5 orifice case (C1), near the centerline for the 8 orifice case (C4), and near both the liner and centerline for the 6 (C2) and 7 orifice (C3) cases. Once again, the 6 (C2) and 7 orifice (C3) cases appear to be near optimum in terms of jet penetration and mixing.

Figure 11 presents the NO_x production for the can cases. By comparing Figure 11 with Figure 8, it can be seen that the highest NO_x production locations correspond to areas of near stoichiometric flame temperatures. For the overpenetrating, 5 orifice case (C1), most of the NO_x is produced next to the liner. For the underpenetrating, 8 orifice case (C4), there is almost no NO_x being formed on the liner; all of the NO_x is formed on the centerline.

Emissions

To effectively quantify the emissions results, both the NO_x and CO signature must be considered in the analysis. In some cases low NO_x levels can be predicted, but significant concentrations of CO can still be present in the gas flow. High levels of CO translates into combustion inefficiency, and is undesirable. Low NO_x that is achieved due to combustion inefficiency is not an acceptable design.

Figure 12 presents normalized NO_x as a function of x/H for the annular cases. Up to x/H=0.5, all configurations produce a comparable amount of NO_x. NO, continues to be produced all the way to x/H of 3.0 for the 3ID/3OD (AN1) and 6ID/6OD (AN4) cases, and will continue being produced downstream of x/H of 3.0 due to lack of mixing. Both the 4ID/4OD (AN2) and 5ID/5OD (AN3) cases show the NO_x leveling off by x/H of 3.0. This "leveling off" is an indication of good mixing. At the mixed-out temperature of these cases (1755 K), no additional NO_x should be formed once near-complete mixing has occurred. If there are pockets of higher equivalence ratio (and thus higher temperatures), NO_x will continue to be formed, as shown by the 3ID/3OD (AN1) and 6ID/6OD (AN4) cases. Figure 13 shows contour plots of both the equivalence ratios and temperatures for the annular parametric at x/H=3.0. These contour plots show that the 4ID/4OD (AN2) and 5ID/5OD (AN3) cases have the most complete mixing, while the 3ID/3OD (AN1) and 6ID/6OD (AN4) cases still exhibit significant radial variations.

Figure 14 presents a plot of CO emissions index (EI) versus x/H for each of the annular cases. Note that the CFD analysis assumes a fast chemistry approximation, and any CO that is present in the flowfield is a direct result of lack of mixing. Each CO EI figure is divided into two graphs. The first graph shows the overall CO EI levels for the parametric cases. The inserted graph shows an enlarged view of the lower end of the CO EI scale. Equilibrium CO EI for ϕ_{lb} =0.425 is 2, and a

combustion efficiency of 99.5% corresponds to a CO EI of 20. A horizontal line is shown on the graphs to represent the 99.5% combustion efficiency level. All the cases reach a CO EI of 20 well before reaching the exit (x/H > 3.0). Of the four cases, the 3ID/3OD (AN1) has the highest CO, not falling below 20 until x/H of 1.8.

Figures 15 and 16 show the normalized NO_x and CO EI as a function of x/R for the can parametric. The NO_x curves all have positive slopes at x/R > 3.0 indicating ongoing NO_x production. Only the 6 (C2) and 7 (C3) orifice cases are starting to level off. The CO curves shown in Figure 16 take a much longer axial distance to reach the 99.5% combustion efficiency level than the annular cases (x/R=2.0- 2.5-can vs. x/H=1.5-annular), and even then only the 5 (C1), 6 (C2), and 7 (C3) orifice cases attain the 99.5% level. For the other cases the positive slopes of the NO_x curves and the presence of CO remaining in the flowfield suggest the need of a longer lean-burn section to achieve the necessary combustion efficiency.

Based on the emission curves, the optimum configurations are the 5ID/5OD (AN3) case for the annular geometry, and the 7 orifice case (C3) for the can geometry. These two configurations were selected as being optimum because 1.) they showed the lowest overall NO_x at the exit plane, and 2.) reached a combustion efficiency of 99.5% before the end of the mixing section. A comparison of the two optimum configurations is shown in Figure 17. Note the x/R_{eq} used for the annular geometry is based on the radius of an equal area can. From Figure 17, both configurations show similar trends of NO_x production. The NO_x production in the first x/R=2.25 is approximately the same. Towards x/R=4.0, the annular geometry shows a slightly lower value of NO_x. In addition, both curves are "leveling off", indicating good overall mixing and no NO_x production (i.e. no significant NO_x contribution farther downstream). Therefore, from a design standpoint, there is no significant emission

advantage gained by the selection of either the annular or can geometry.

Design Correlation Constant for Annular and Can Configuration

The last columns of Tables 2 & 3 show the optimum mixing design correlation constants based on the equation, $C = (S/H)\sqrt{J}$.

For the can cases (Table 2), the constant were determined using two different spacing methods;

- 1. Orifice spacing at the OD
- 2. Orifice spacing at a radius corresponding to equal flow areas in the can

These methods are illustrated at the bottom of Table 2. Similarly, these methods exist for the annular geometry. For the annular cases, the constants were calculated based on orifice spacing at the ID and OD (Method 1), and equivalent area spacing (Method 2). Method 2 has been reported to be the appropriate method for both can and annular configurations.¹⁹

Based on the emission results, the optimum configuration for the annular geometry is the 5ID/5OD (AN3) case. The design constant for this case is 2.35. This C value is consistent with results from previously performed high jet-to-mainstream mass-flow ratio (MR > 2.0) analyses. It is about twice the value reported for low MR's (< 0.5).

The can emission results indicate that the 7 orifice case (C3) has the best emission signature. Using the equal area approach, the C constant is 3.5, or 40% higher than that reported for mixing at lower MR (< 0.5).

7. Conclusions

A CFD parametric analysis was performed on transverse jets injected into both annular and can confined crossflow. The slot spacing was systematically varied while maintaining all other design variables constant. Optimum configurations were determined based on jet penetration, and NO_x and CO emissions. The conclusions that can be drawn are as follows;

- 1. Optimum annular and can geometries have similar emission characteristics at the end of a mixing section and lean-burn section (x/H=3.0) as long as jet penetration/mixing is optimized.
- 2. For the MR of 3.2 evaluated in this study, the design correlation constant [C=(S/H)√J] was 2.35 for the annulus and 3.5 for the can. The value for the annulus is about twice the value for low MR's (< 0.5). The value for the can is about 40% higher than that for the low MR.</p>

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Table 1. Spacing and Momentum-Flux Ratio Relationships

Configuration	$C = (S/H) \sqrt{(J)}$
Single-side injection: Under-penetration Optimum Over-penetration	<1.25 2.5 >5.0
Opposed rows of jets: In-line optimum Staggered optimum	1.25 5.0

Method 2 $^{\circ}$ ber 360° Method 1

Table 2. Can Geometry Parameters

Outer Radius

Equal Area

Equal Area 3.91 2.93 2.35 1.96 Momentum-Flux Design C Values Ratio,J 3.12 2.46 4.16 2.08 go 2.74 2.19 Ω 3.67 1.81 30 30 30 30 OD 0.0384m 0.0192m 0.0283m0.0231m Orifice Spacing S/H 0.76 S/H 0.45 S/H 0.38 S/H 0.57 0.0255m 0.0170m 0.0340m 0.0204m S/H 0.67 S/H 0.50 S/H 0.40 S/H 0.33 Orifices Modeled 100 100 10D 10D 10D 11D 10D 110 # of 0.01578m Orifice Width 0.0112m 0.0137m 0.0122m Orifice Aspect Ratio 2:1 Rounded Slot Rounded Slot Rounded Slot Rounded Slot 2:1 2:1 2:1 2" (0.0508m) 2" (0.0508m) (0.0508m)Sector Height (0.0508m)Sector Angle per Orifice Pair 3.75° 2.5° ဗ ည် 5 * (5ID/50D) 3 * (31D/30D) (4ID/40D) (61D/60D) # of Orifices Pairs Case AN2 AN3 AN4 AN1

of Orifice Pairs per 15° Nozzle Sector

Table 3. Annular Geometry Parameters

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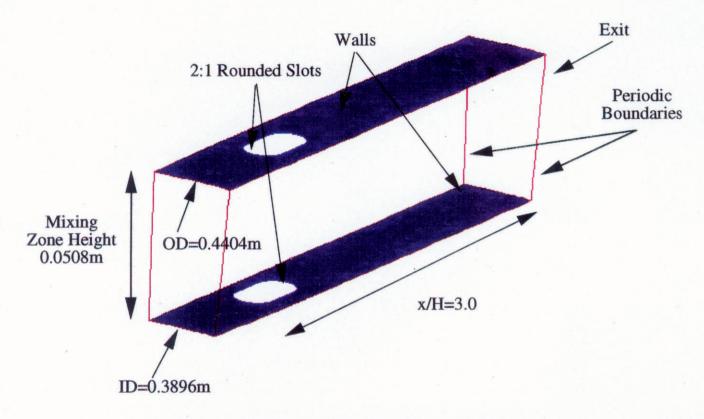


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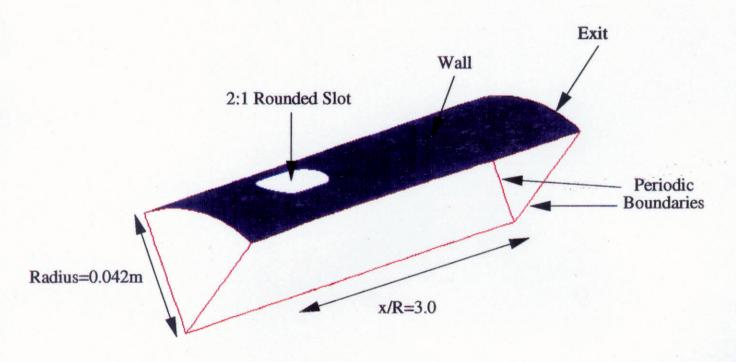


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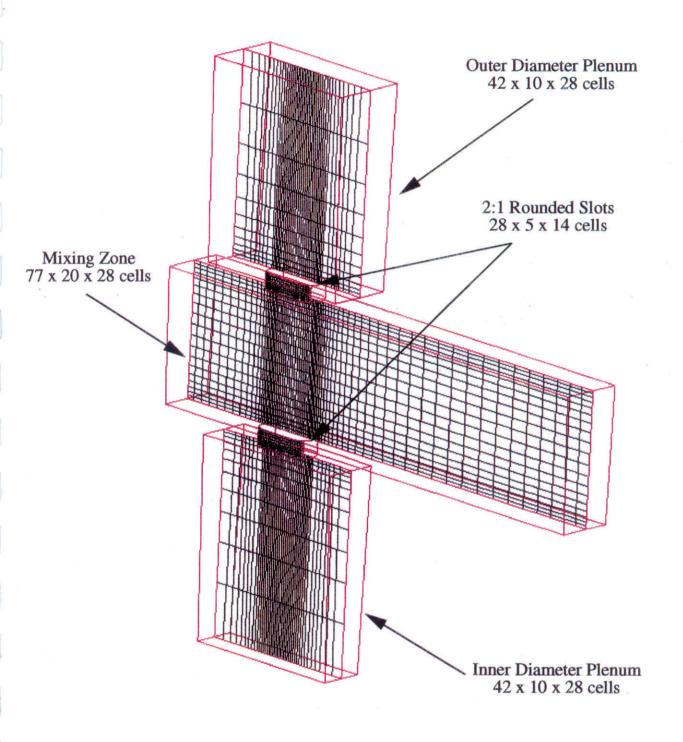


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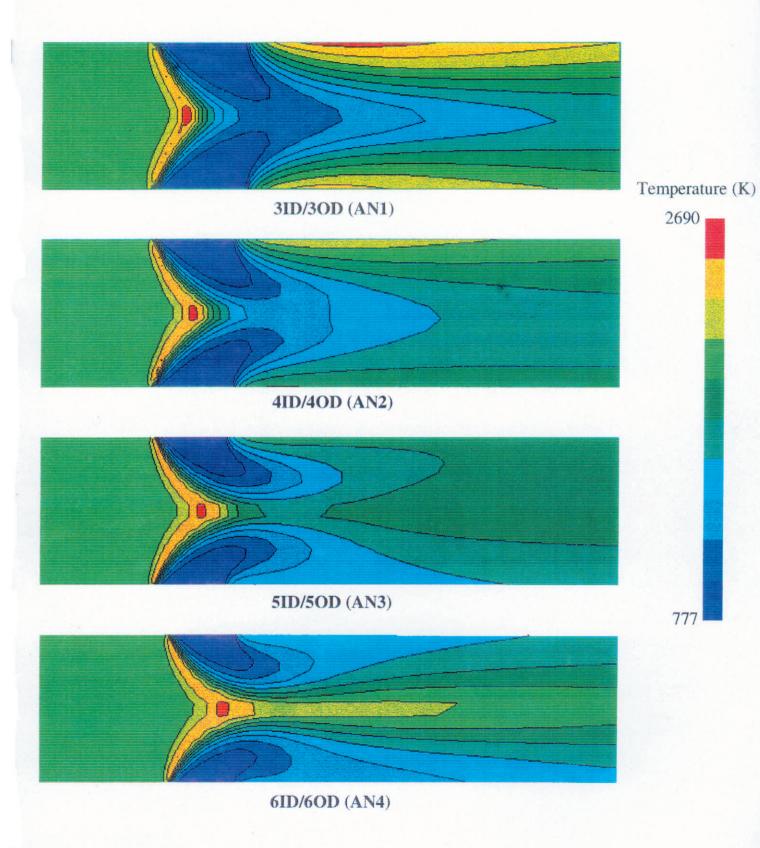


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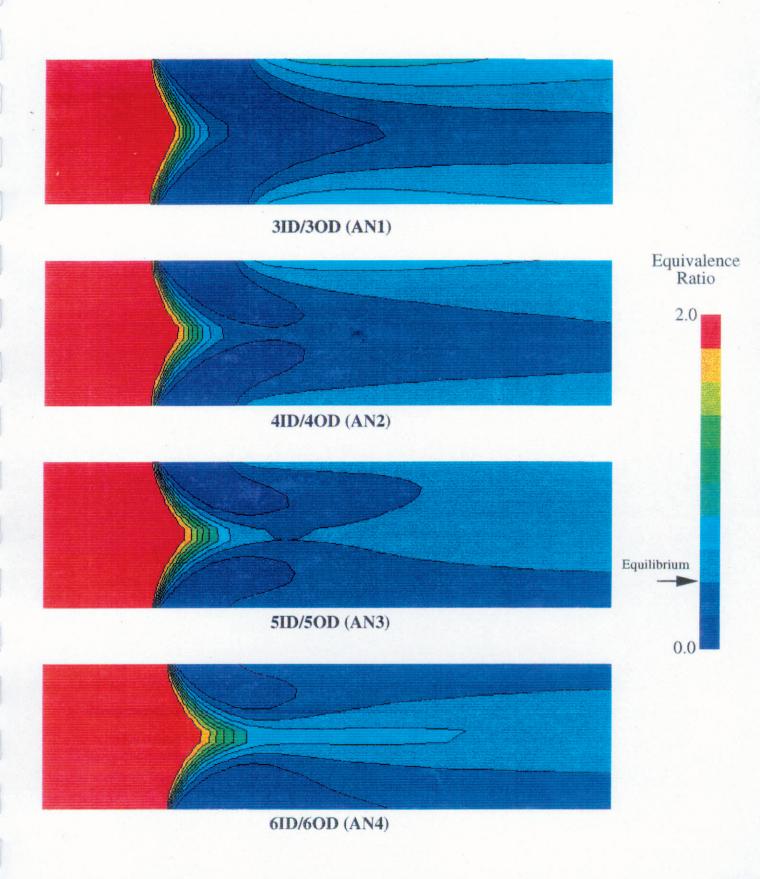


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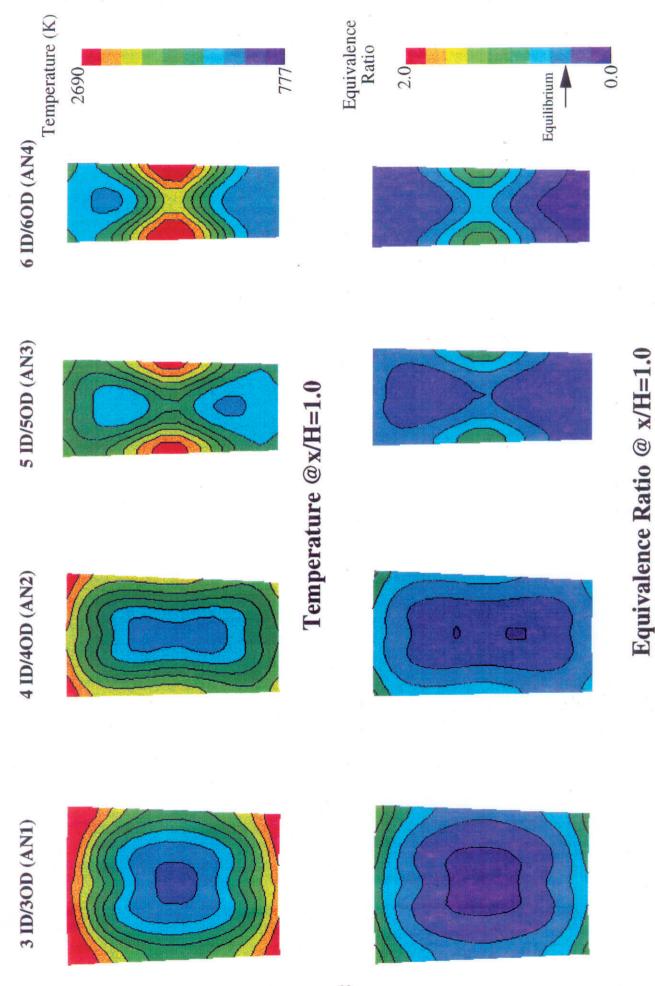


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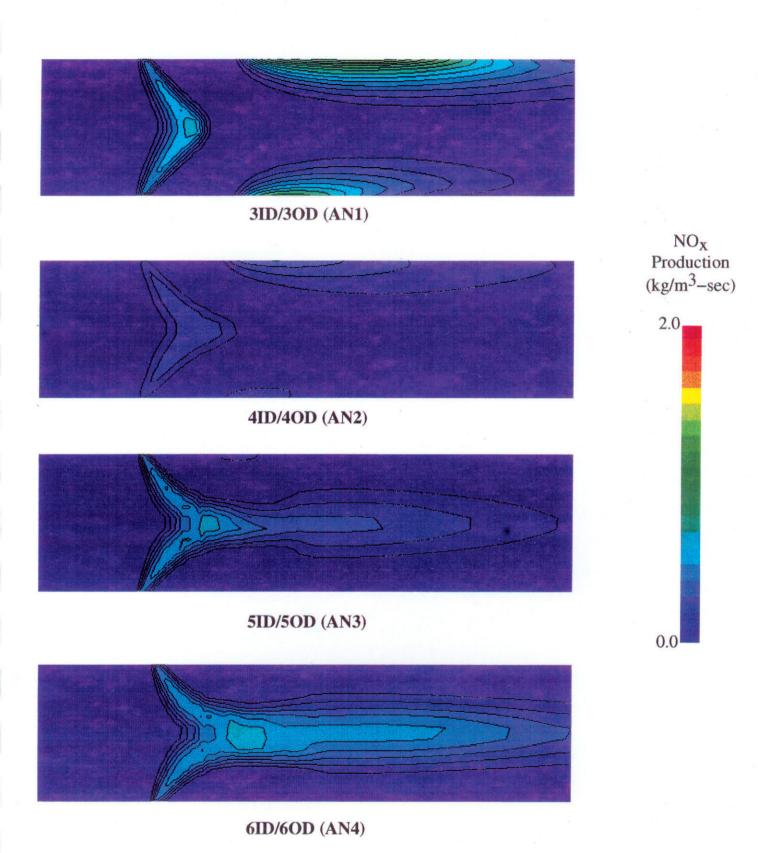


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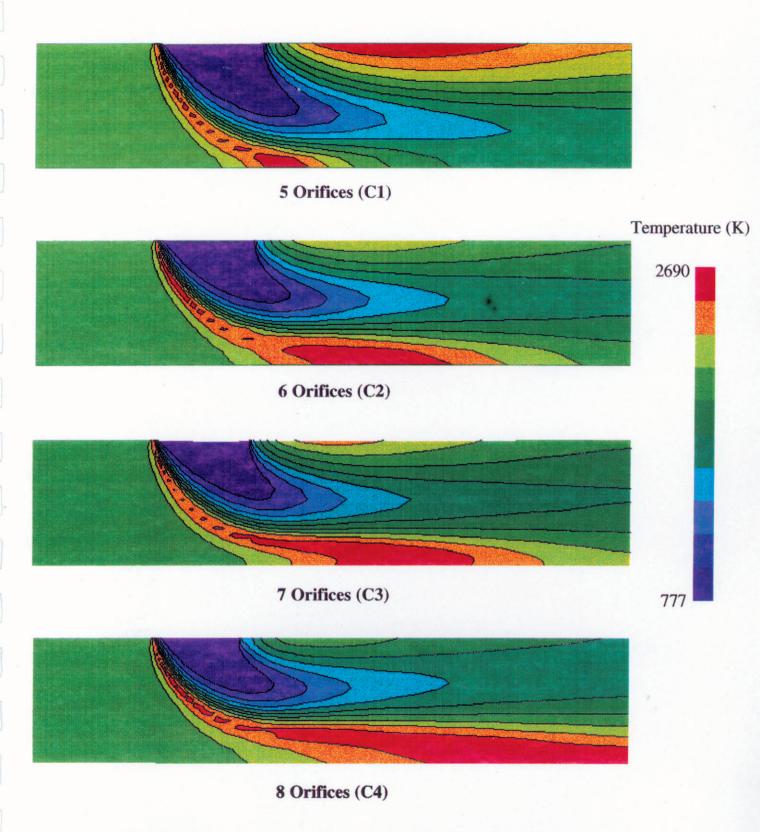


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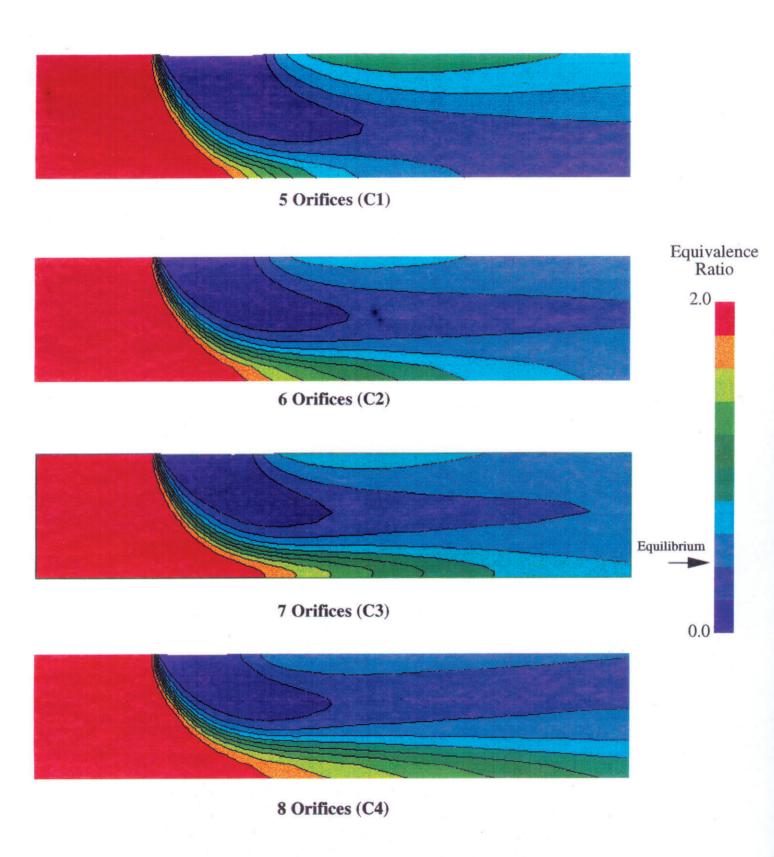


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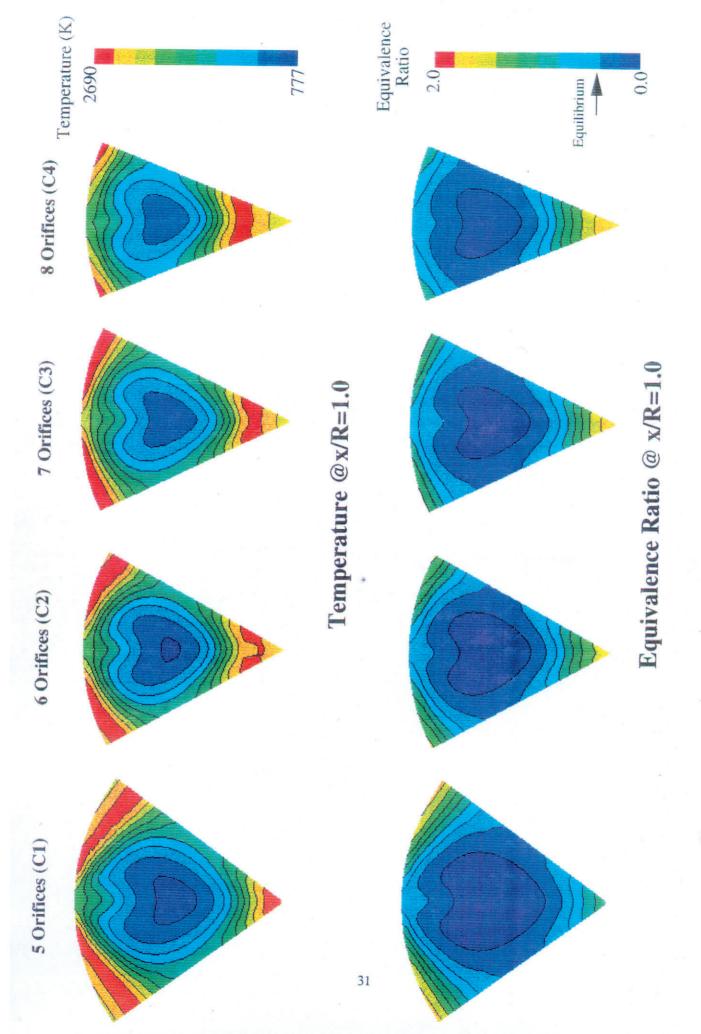


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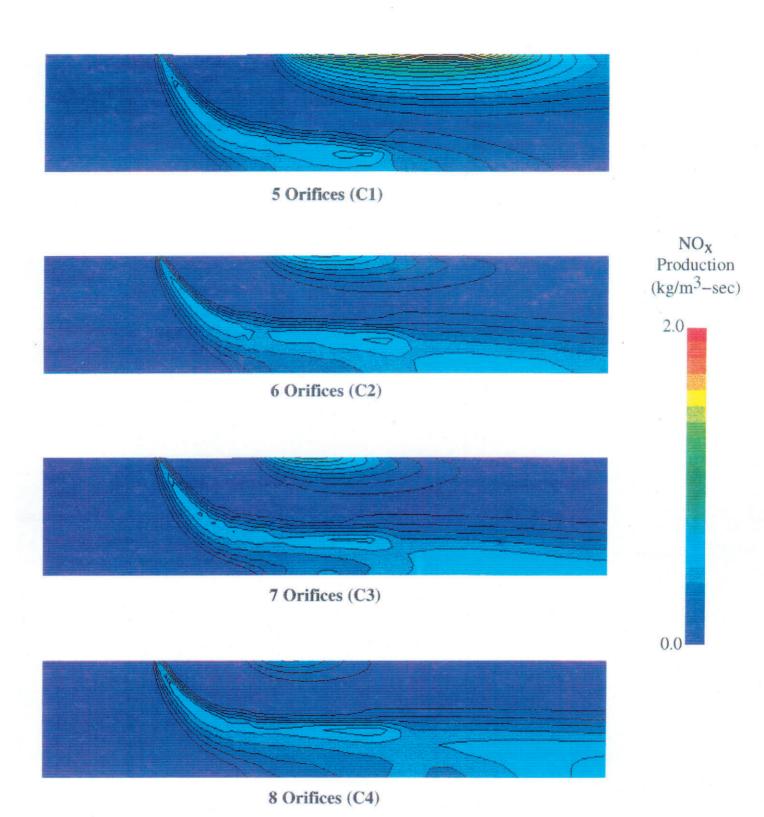


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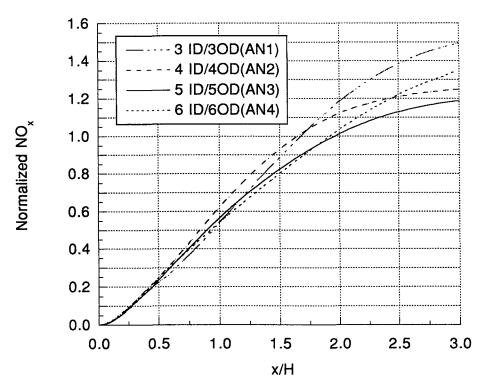


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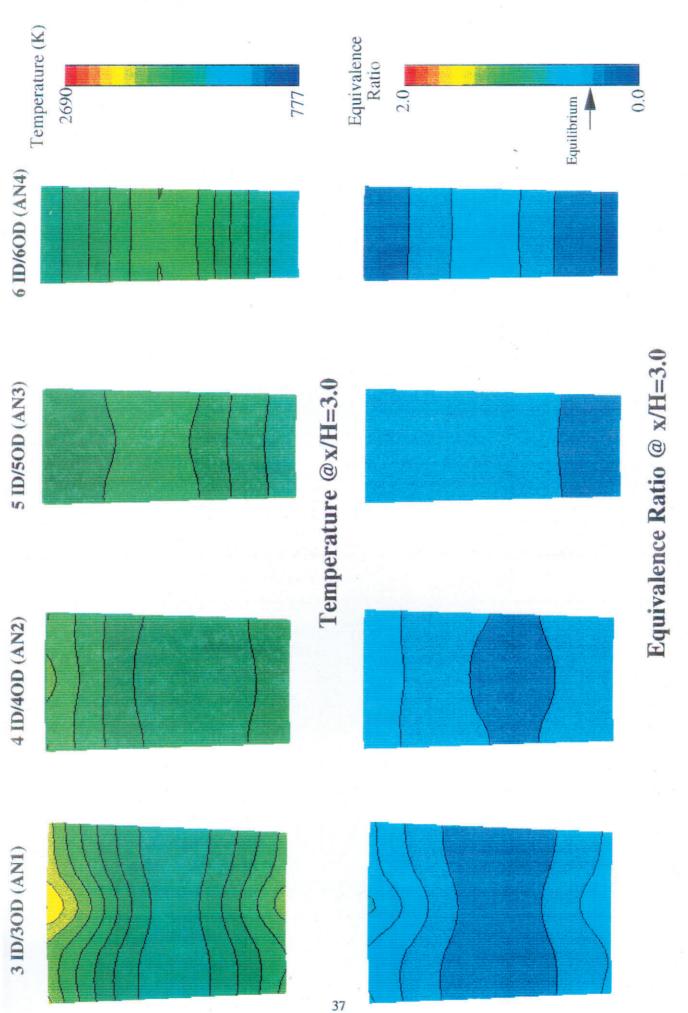


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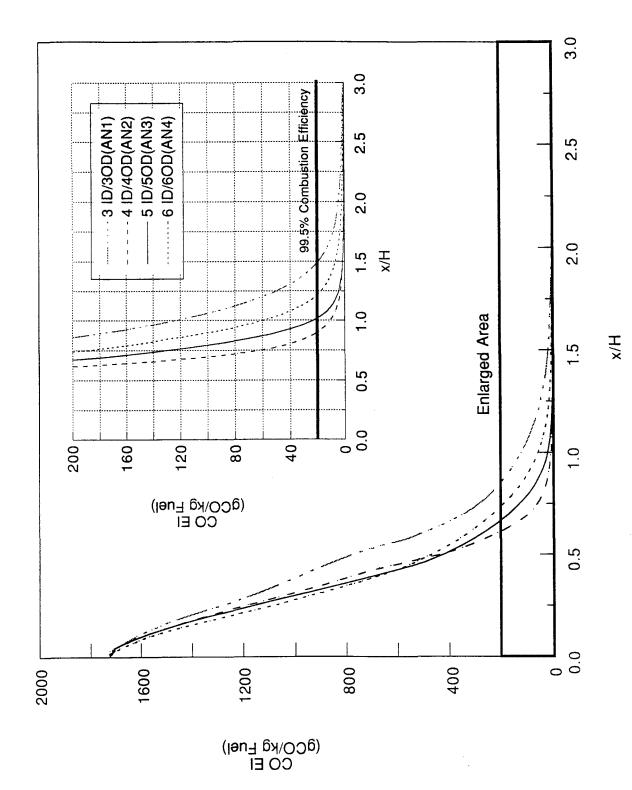


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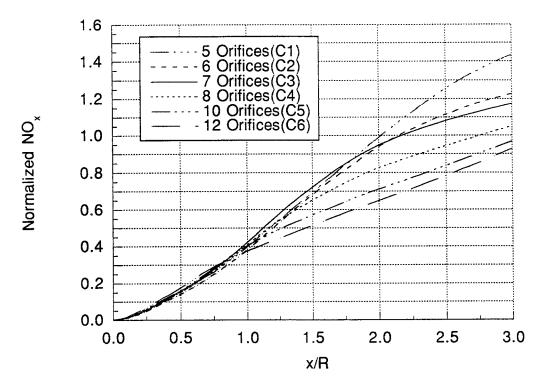


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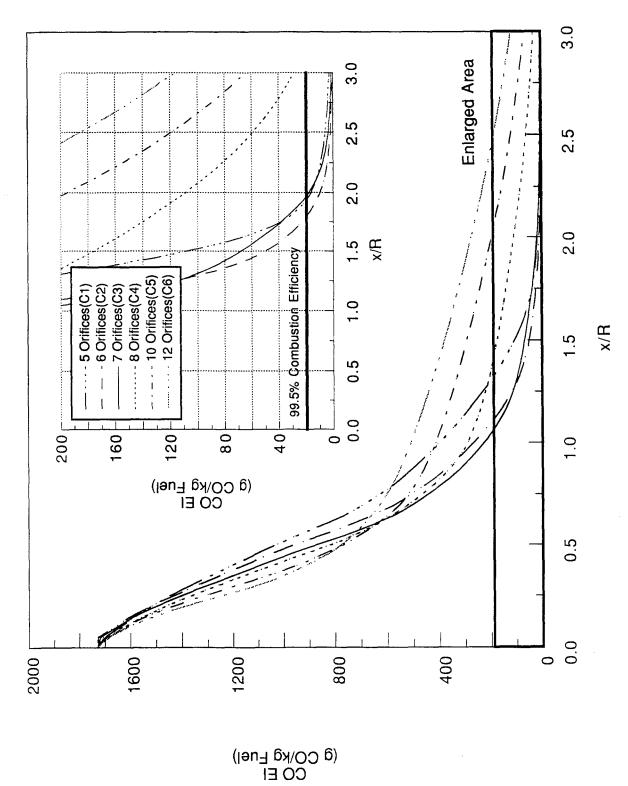


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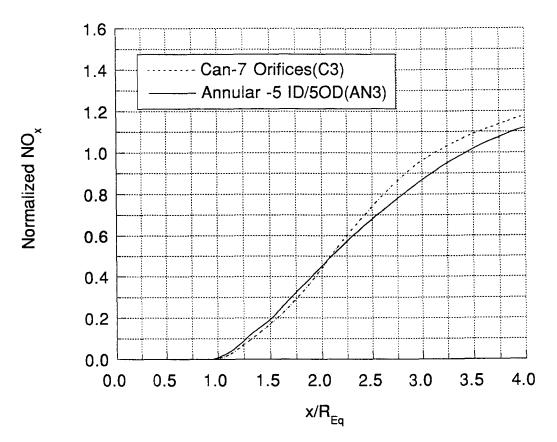


Figure 17. Comparison of Optimum Can and Annular Normalized NO_x

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3-D turbulent reacting CFD analyses were performed on transverse jets injected into annular and cylindrical (can) confined crossflows. The goal of this study was to identify and assess mixing differences between annular and can geometries. The approach was to optimize both annular and can configurations by systematically varying orifice spacing until lowest emissions were achieved, and then compare the results. Numerical test conditions consisted of a jet-to-mainstream mass-flow ratio of 3.2 and a jet-to-mainstream momentum-flux ratio (J) of 30. The computational results showed that the optimized geometries had similar emission levels at the exit of the mixing section although the annular configuration did mix-out faster. For lowest emissions, the design correlation parameter ($C=(S/H), \sqrt{J}$) was 2.35 for the annular geometry and 3.5 for the can geometry. For the annular geometry, the constant was about twice the value seen for jet mixing at low mass-flow ratios (i.e. MR < 0.5). For the can geometry, the constant was about 1 1/2 times the value seen for low mass-flow ratios.

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